GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5283
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PROCUREMENT OF PADDY FROM KERALA
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether delay in procurement of paddy in some parts of the country particularly Kerala has caused heavy losses to the farmers;

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating the quantum of paddy still lying with the farmers;

(c) whether the Government has assessed the extent of loss caused to the farmers in Kerala as a result thereof; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the assistance provided to State Government to provide relief to farmers?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (DR. AKHILESH PRASAD SINGH)

(a): No report has been received in the Department of Food and Public Distribution from any State regarding loss to farmers due to delays in procurement of paddy in ongoing Kharif Marketing Season (KMS) 2006-07.

(b),(c)&(d): Does not arise.